

## REMARKS

By the foregoing Amendment, Claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 10-12, 14-16, 18, 20, 21, 23, 29, 30-34, 36 and 37 have been amended, and new Claim 38 has been added. It is believed that no new matter has been added, and the amendment of the claims is intended to be fully responsive to the Office Action of October 17, 2003. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, on the grounds of indefiniteness. Claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 10-12, 14-16, 18, 20, 21, 23, 29, 30-34, 36 and 37 have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions and to clarify the wording of the claims, so that it is believed that the rejection of Claims 1-37 on the grounds of indefiniteness can be withdrawn.

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the indication that Claims 1-37 are considered to be allowable over the prior art of record. In view of the Examiner's discussion of the allowability of the claims over the prior art of record, it is believed that new Claim 38 should also be allowable.

In light of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the application should now be in condition for allowance, and an early favorable action in this regard is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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